

May 7, 2010

Mr. Stuart M. Green
Interim Chancellor
Indiana University Kokomo
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Dear Mr. Green:

At its April 18-21, 2010 meeting in Portland, Oregon, the Unit Accreditation Board of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) considered the application to continue the accreditation of the Division of Education as the unit that oversees the professional education offerings at Indiana University Kokomo. I am pleased to inform you of the Unit Accreditation Board's decision to grant accreditation to the Division of Education at Indiana University Kokomo at the initial teacher preparation level, and continue accreditation at the advanced preparation level. This accreditation decision indicates that the unit and its programs meet rigorous standards set forth by the professional education community. The copy of this letter sent to the head of your professional education unit includes a certificate in acknowledgement of the unit's accomplishment.

Strengths noted in the Board of Examiners report have not been reiterated but are certainly considered part of the institution's accreditation visit record. You may use the information provided in the Board of Examiners report at your discretion. Any areas for improvement that have been cited are listed in the enclosed accreditation action report.

The next NCATE visit is scheduled for **Fall 2016**. You will begin to receive materials for that visit approximately two years prior to the visit. In partnership states, the actual date of the visit must be determined jointly by the state and NCATE. In addition, your institution will be required to complete Parts A, B, and C of the AACTE/NCATE annual report each year during the accreditation period, except during the calendar year of an accreditation visit. You are required to report specifically on progress in the areas for improvement cited. During the accreditation period, you will be expected to report evaluations and changes in relation to the six standards.

The recent meeting of NCATE's Unit Accreditation Board culminates several years of preparation and deliberation on the part of both the institution seeking accreditation and NCATE. Beginning with the institutional self-study and ending with the deliberations of the Unit Accreditation Board, a great deal of thought and effort went into the accreditation process. NCATE places great faith in its Board of Examiners members and the Unit Accreditation Board, and we want you to know that your unit was examined carefully throughout each stage of the accreditation process. Moreover, we have been most pleased with the cooperation received from the faculty, staff, and administration at your institution. Please let us know if there is anything we might do to explain the findings of the Board or to assist you in determining any future courses of action.

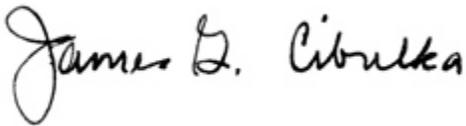
Enclosed is a copy of NCATE's Policies on Dissemination of Information, which describe the terms and dates by which your current accreditation action becomes a matter of public record and lists other parties

who will be notified of accreditation action. If your state has a partnership agreement with NCATE, the state agency with program approval authority receives a copy of this letter.

To celebrate your accreditation, I encourage you to use the online press packet on NCATE's website. From the homepage, click on "Institutions," then "Resources," then "Press Packet" under the subhead "Celebrating Accreditation." The packet includes a sample press release announcing a school of education's accreditation status to the media, as well as samples of announcements that can be sent to P-12 schools, foundations, businesses, policymakers, and other stakeholders in your area. Other strategies are also included for garnering media attention throughout the year. In addition, because the education unit is professionally accredited, we encourage you to use the NCATE logo on print materials such as brochures and catalogs, as well as on your unit's website. The logo can be found at the link just above "Press Packet" under the subhead "Celebrating Accreditation" as noted above. The logo is a distinctive mark that demonstrates that you have met demanding national professional standards for educator preparation.

Congratulations again on this accomplishment. Should you have any questions regarding NCATE's action or the items reported herein, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James G. Cibulka".

James G. Cibulka
President

Enclosures

cc: Dr. Julie Saam, Division of Education
Dr. Marg A. Mast, Indiana Department of Education
Board of Examiners Team